

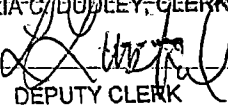
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May 8, 2020

James P. Jones
 U. S. District Judge
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Your Honor:

My name is Joyce Gross, a retired teacher with 39 years of service to my students. I am writing concerning my son, Wesley Gross, who is incarcerated in the federal prison in New Jersey on drug charges. He has filed a motion for compassionate release.

This pandemic has caused alarm for both him and myself. He has asthma and other health issues. I am 71 years old and am living alone. We both have a higher risk of contracting the virus and not fairsing well. I haven't seen him in 3½ years.

He made some poor choices in his life but is not a bad person with other convictions. I am his only support system when he is released and I hope I'm still

here to provide that.

I kindly ask that you
consider his motion favorably.

Thank you,
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